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Justifiable Grief.

Mr. Roosevelt was much grieved at the escape of a "giant pig," and no wonder with pork selling at \$11 per live hundredweight.—St. Louis Post-Despatch.

An Unfounded Rumor.

"Is there any danger of Japan capturing or buying the Philippines from the United States?" asks a correspondent. We fear not.—St. Paul Pioneer-Press.

"I'll teach you to play at pitch and toss!" shouted the enraged father. "I'll fog you for an hour, I will!" "Father," instantly said the incorrigible, as he balanced a penny on his thumb and finger, "I'll toss you to make it two hours or nothing."—Cassell's Journal.

Body of King Leopold Lying in State

Thousands Pass Before the Catafalque in the Elack Fringed Room of State.

Brussels, Dec. 19.—The body of King Leopold lay in state in the royal palace today while thousands who had patiently waited their turn to be admitted filed silently before the catafalque and paid homage to their late sovereign.

In the presence of Prince Albert and the officers and dignitaries of the court and government, the coffin had been borne to the mortuary chamber, while priests chanted the Miserere and a procession of monks with bent heads told their rosaries for the dead.

Passing through the garden and courtyard up the broad marble staircase, banked with magnificent floral pieces and across the vast reception hall, those who had come to the palace found themselves in a room of state, the draperies of which were black with silver fringe. It was lit up by the glare of electric globes and the softer glow of hundreds of candles. The mahogany casket in which the king lay was half draped with colors of the old Grenadier regiment and surmounted by his daughter's floral piece. It was guarded on either side by three officers in uniforms glittering with gold and swords brought up to the royal salute.

Against the walls and between the tall palms other officers held the standards of the kingdom. In front of the casket were kneeling nuns and priests. For three hours the stream of people passed through the palace, witnesses of the impressive scene.

The Belgian episcopate today issued a pastoral letter eulogizing King Leopold as the apostle of peace and justice, the glorifier of the Catholic faith and the promoter of Christian civilization, through the foundation and development of the Congo Independent State.

On the other hand the general socialist organization has issued a proclamation in favor of a republic and condemning Leopold for imposing upon the country the costly burden of the

Congo. The proclamation adds that the socialists decline to swear allegiance to Albert, who, as monarch, is bound "to represent the oppression of those who labor by those who fatten on the fruits of labor."

Princess Louise, who has commenced an active legal contest for the estates of King Leopold and Baroness Vaughan, has not yet arrived here. It is reported that new complications have arisen which will result in her refusal to come to Belgium alone and to join her family. Count Lonyay, husband of Princess Stephanie, is now here.

The Soir publishes a despatch from Rome that it is confirmed at the Vatican that King Leopold and Baroness Vaughan were married both by a civil ceremony and a religious ceremony at San Remo, and that the king pardoned his daughters; otherwise he could not have been absolved. According to the news papers the ex-empress, Charlotte, widow of the late Maximilian of Mexico, has not yet been informed of her brother Leopold's death.

Bringing the Dead to Life.

A young Russian woman, Dr. Louise G. Rabinovitch, who came here from France, recently startled American scientists by her declaration that she could bring back to life a body that had been electrocuted. On November 18, in New York city, she gave a thoroughly convincing demonstration of her discovery. The only visitor at her demonstration who submitted to the test was a rabbit. Runny was electrocuted. A few minutes after it had been pronounced dead by competent physicians, it was breathing naturally again, and half an hour after the fatal shock, it was hopping around the room, a little dazed but very much alive.

Later the demonstrator showed how a rabbit could be anesthetized by electricity and not suffer the bad after effects, to say nothing of the risk of death, which always accompany the use of chloroform and ether.

This remarkable young woman claims that with a human being as a subject she can do everything that she demonstrated with the rabbit. The officials of the electric company considered the results most important, because they suggested a method of resuscitating those employees who from time to time are fatally shocked in the course of their duties.—Collier's Weekly.

A Sensible Protest.

Are the postoffice department officials too fussy? It seems so, when they must decline to carry in the mails any mail matter that is marked in writing, "Not to be opened before Christmas," unless it is paid for in letter postage. A good deal of mail matter goes to the dead letter office through technicalities that are not clearly understood. If anybody happens to have a hand stamp bearing the above legend, and uses it on the second or third class matter it is all right, and why not allow the sender who has no stamp to use a pen and say the same thing and send his package? There is too much technical hampering in the postal service, and when the cost of maintaining the dead letter department is reckoned up, it will be seen that it does not pay. It costs just as much to send a package to the dead letter office as it would to forward it as addressed, and the postage having been paid by an innocent violator of a silly regulation, the government is placed in the attitude of one who defrauds as well as disapproves one of its citizens. As it is, there is no redress, but the postmaster general should give this matter a little attention and remedy the wrong.—Lynn Item.

An Appeal.

Young men go into politics—I do not mean dilettante politics. I mean shirt-sleeve politics. You can't help poor folks by handing them dainties on the end of a golf stick, and you can't carry primaries by reading essays tied up with pink ribbons. Roll up your sleeves. If you see a grafter, go after him and down him; if you see a man that is on the square, tie to him and back him up. Get into political clubs, attend caucuses and primaries, canvass your election district, establish a personal following, and deliver the goods. Don't let them freeze you out—they may try it. They can't freeze out a good man; sooner or later they have to come to him. Hit hard and play fair.—Representative G. H. Chandler of Rocky Hill, Conn.

The above is the kind of young men who could be of good service to the taxpayers of Ansonia and to the city at large. They are needed to study the methods of conducting city business, the city receipts and expenditures, the failure to secure permanent results, the success which some seem to have in getting a living out of office holding, the plan by which nomi-

nations are secured or defeated, the reason for backwardness in public works, the actual necessities of the municipality in general and how they may be provided. For young men who will seek truths of this kind and let them be known, there is a large and powerful following which stands ready to do effective work at the polls in this city, not because it is needed in one party more than another, but because it is needed for the betterment of the city, to check its waste, rid it of some of its unbusiness-like methods and secure an adequate return for the money expended.—Ansonia Sentinel.

A Neat Christmas Greeting.

To each and every one of our readers: "We are thinking of you today because it is the Christmas season,"

and we wish you happiness. And the day after Christmas we shall still wish you happiness; and so on clear through the year."—Bristol Press.

Home From Washington.

Mrs. John T. Sterling of Bridgeport, chairman of the Connecticut branch of the Woman's National Rivers and Harbors congress and vice president general of the National Society of the D. A. R., has returned from Washington a visit with George Curtis Sterling of Montclair, N. J.

"There are times when I envy my hair," remarked the man who had failed in 17 different business enterprises. "Because why?" queried his wife. "Because it is coming out on top," explained he of the many failures.—Chicago News.

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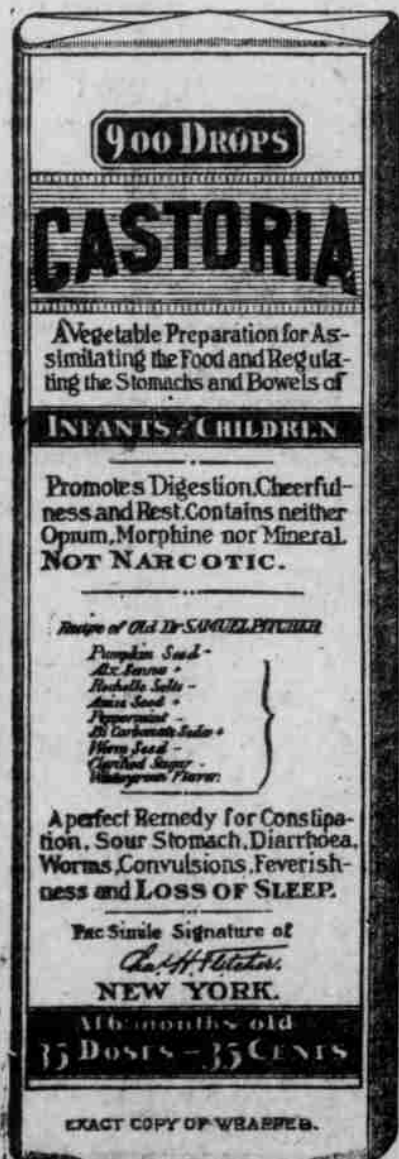
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Dr. Raymond M. Everts, of Santa Ynez, Cal., says: "After using your Castoria for children for years it annoys me greatly to have an ignorant druggist substitute something else, especially to the patient's disadvantage, as in this case. I enclose herewith the wrapper of the imitation."

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Dr. L. O. Morgan, of So. Amboy, N. J., says: "I prescribe your Castoria every day for children who are suffering from constipation, with better effect than I receive from any other combination of drugs."

Dr. H. J. Taft, of Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "I have used your Castoria and found it an excellent remedy in my household and private practice for many years. The formula is excellent."

Dr. Wm. L. Bosserman, of Buffalo, N. Y., says: "I am pleased to speak a good word for your Castoria. I think so highly of it that I not only recommend it to others, but have used it in my own family."

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